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EDITORIAL

IS THE ARABIAN SEA FOR THE ARABS
OR FOR THE PLANNERS OF AMERICAN
IMPERIALISM?

This question is repeated often by every honest member of the grand Arab homeland in general and our area in particular which is the focus of colonialist greeds. The ordinary citizen is seeing before him daily treasons committed against the homeland and events taking place in a surprising speed.

He is faced by daily newspapers and reports of news agencies with unpleasant reports not satisfying him at all. The spread up of the military forces of imperialism in several parts of the Arab homeland such as Oman and Egypt and other places in the other Arab countries lying under the hegemony of imperialism, have aroused resentment and indignation amidst all peoples. Whoever, unfortunately listens to some Arab radios beaming reports on the military manoeuvres as reported by Voice of America and London Radios without any comment or eve any opposition for such manoeuvre the matter do not concern them at all, is surprised and shouts from the bottom of his heart: where are you O Arabs from such American shamlessness? Where are you from such flagrant aggression. But what is the use of screaming and shouting while the traitors are busying putting in dungeons and prisons the honourable citizens. What is the use of screaming while the rulers regard America and some Western countries as the dearest friends. There is no surprise in this at all. Have we not lost Palestine at the hands of the traitors? Was there left for us in some territories other than the names?

There is no surprise so long that Qabous and Sadat are proceeding further in their treason and hand over the Omani and Egyptian territories to American imperialism, without anyone moving a slight limb. Does not their silence prove their acceptance of such treason.

The American and British military manoeuvres which started some days ago in the Arabian sea without the permission of the Arabs, of course, as there exists huge numbers of military vessels and fleets of the NATO forces, This will continue upto the 4th of November and constitute in fact a flagrant aggression and provocative act harmful to the safety and security of the peoples of the area and the entire world.

The Sea named as the Arabian Sea is transformed by the United States of America into a sea for the aggressive forces and a fertile place for its forces and the forces of the NATO. The presence of sixty American, British, France and Australian military pieces close to the gulf, will be added in fact to the other imperialist forces existing in the area. By that the capitalist countries will have tightened their control over our area entirely.

The chains of plotting have been completed and the greeds of imperialism have in fact been ascertained. If some of the rulers have kept silent and some others have welcomed such presence while the other some handed over our territories to the forces of evil and aggression, the peoples will not keep silent nor calm down until aggression is expelled and wiped out for good and those collaborating with imperialism are swept. Then the Arabian Sea will be certainly for the Arabs and not for American imperialism and its allies and plans of interference and aggression.

MESSAGE OF GREETINGS

The following message of greetings was sent by the Central Executive Committee of PFLO to Comrade Ali Nasser Mohamed, Secretary General of the Central Committee and Chairman of the Presidium of the Supreme People's Council and Premier of the PDRY, on the occasion of his re-election as Secretary General of the Central Committee of the Yemeni Socialist Party. The message says "On the occasion of your re-election as Secretary General of the Central Committee of Yemeni Socialist Party the Central Executive Committee of the People's Front for the Liberation of Oman is pleased to extend to you sincere and heartfelt greetings and great wishes on the great confidence entrusted to you through your re-election as Secretary General. This only proves the prominent position being enjoyed by you inside the Political Bureau of the Central Committee and your great role in leading the revolution in march of the glorious 14th October revolution, at this difficult stage which is full of events in the Yemeni, Arab and international arenas. We are, dear comrade, fully confident of your ability to undertake this great and huge responsibility and to achieve the great accomplishments drawn up by the Yemeni Socialist Party, the builder of the new Yemeni democratic society under a united democratic Yemen.

GREETINGS - Cont'd.

The glorious 9th June revolution and stood and stands always by the side of the immortal revolution of 14th October at all circumstances sees in this important event a new consolidation for the combative revolutionary relations between our two revolutions and peoples on the road of victories and revolutionary accomplishments for the sake of liberation and social progress.

"The comradely relations linking the Yemeni Socialist Party and PFLO will become more firm and strong in the interest of our two revolutions and peoples. Once again please allow us, dear comrade, to greet you and congratulate you on this important occasion and wish you further and constant good health and triumph in your combative tasks on the road of establishing the great understandings of the immortal revolution of 14th October under the leadership of your militant party - the Yemeni Socialist Party. We also wish the brotherly Yemeni people all good and progress and prosperity on the road of realising the unity of both parts of Yemen in a united democratic Yemen."

THE IMPERIALIST MILITARY INTERFERENCE IN THE GULF AREA

The screams released by the Carter Administration since one and a half years on protection of its interests which it regarded as lively in the Gulf area, have exceed the frame of pronounciation and started to take magnified form having its dimensions, extents and aims which do not deviate the aims of the forces of world imperialism represented in making the peoples of the area bow to its influence. When Washington announced in the middle of last year that the area of the Gulf enters as part of its defensive strategy, it tied words with deeds. This was when it intimidated the hireling regime in Muscat to lay down its technical project for protection of Hormez Strait, which project was rejected by the peoples of the Gulf area and certain governments in it, while some other area regimes kept silent over it.. This Qaboos project was aiming at establishing a military pact between the countries of the area to be supervised by the United States of America. The main panel of this project is protection of the interests of the imperialist countries in this important area. When Qaboos failed to realise what is needed by his masters, these masters moved in another direction not far away from the previous Qaboos project. This move is represented in the conclusion of military agreements and the obtaining by the American Administration of bases for its military forces in the Sultanate of Oman, Somalia and Egypt and military facilities in Saudi Arabia and "Jebel Ali" port in the United Arab Emirates. This appeared in the arrival of AWACS

aircraft and fuel-bunkering aircraft at Jawali in Saudi Arabia in the first half of October. This is only a small amount, as the United States is having over 23 military vessels including two aircraft carriers stationed near the entrance of the Gulf for several months ago. As voices are still increasing amidst the ranks of the American people calling for non-involvement in another regional war as it happened in Vietnam, the present American Administration is trying to involve others with it in the operation of safeguarding the interests of imperialism in the area of the Arabian Gulf and Peninsula. Therefore, the Carter Administration asked Britain to increase its military capability in this area. So Britain sent two military ships to the Gulf which arrived to Hormuz Strait on 20th October. All this for defeating the opposing voices standing against the interference policy of Carter in within the American people. The developments and events being witnessed by the area at present places before us one objective fact. This is that the United States and its allies the Western capitalist countries are undertaking the role of international policeman after having given such assignment during the seventies to the local reactionary regimes which failed due to the toppling down of the puppets upon whom imperialism depended such as the Shah of Iran and others. When American President Carter threatens to undertake armed interference in the area of the Gulf for safeguarding what is as the lively interests of his country in the area of the Gulf, that was nothing other than a weak excuse not standing on any foundation. The Americans are existing in the Gulf area since tens of years and that the Hormuz Strait cannot be closed by any force neither local nor foreign. If the excuse possessed by the Carter Administration is the existing war between Iraq and Iran then the hands of imperialism are not far away from escalating this war if not to say that Washington was the one that gave the green light for its start. Does Washington wants the area to become boiling anew, this time with Britain being involved in it. As you know Britain evacuated the area in a semi-complete manner in March, 1975 following the withdrawal of the British armies from Masirah base at the time. The answer to such question must be positive after taking into consideration the new colonialist form which is represented in granting the regimes linked with imperialism a type of political independence in shape with the introduction of an agreement appearing to be between two equal parties. This is in connection with military installations including bases, arsenals and other military

facilities in addition to opening the doors widely before the multinational companies for exploiting the wealths of the country concerned. What Washington wants to realise in the Area of the Gulf does not come out from the framework of the drawn up picture particularly that a number of regimes in this area have the great desire in seeing the United States militarily and economically control in a complete manner the wealths of the peoples of the area because they live in permanent anxiety and continuous fear not from an external enemy but from the masses of their countries which are regarded as the main enemy of their attitude in the rule. This makes them fall completely in the laps of the forces of imperialism. The steps followed by Qaboos and his regime are only an example for them.

America, whose leaders threaten of military interference for protecting the Hormuz Strait against closure as alleged, depends for its interference upon its reactionary symbols represented in some regimes in the Arabian Gulf and Peninsula. Such statements brought confidence to them ensuring their stay in authority for years to come because American-British military interference, if in fact happened, would be directed in the first place against the national and democratic forces of these countries and their masses which oppose imperialist exploitation and, reactionary policies and other ideas through which the reactionary forces in the area are trying to stay and prolong their rule and force the masses to adopt them. The fall of the Shah's regime in Iran exposed and revealed the impotency of these regimes against their peoples in addition to the creation of extensive and broad horizons before the masses to demand their legitimate rights since tens of years. As these regimes do not any longer trust the peoples of their countries, so their support by the forces of imperialism became the zone that draws up their policy at present. Therefore, they work hand in hand with the United States in order to bring back the symbols of the Shah to Iran once again. The West German Stern magazine reported that 25,000 of the followers of the Shah's regime are at present existing in the Sultanate of Oman and Bahrain and receive military training for undertaking a coup in Iran restoring power to the Pahlavi family. The noise at present created by the Carter Administration and its puppets is aimed at covering and hiding what is taking place in secret towards the Iranian revolution and the national and democratic forces in the area of the Gulf. The invasion carried out by America in April last on the Iranian territories was shared by a number of Iranian puppets. If this was a preliminary sign,

then the future is full of a number of plans and arrangements which American imperialism wants as a surprise for the world.

Reports on the current events in the area of the Gulf, most important of which is the armed conflict between Iraq and Iran, state that the United States of America started to exploit this dispute for whose occurrence it planned for some time. Washington is viewing the Iraqi-Irani dispute as to reinforce its positions in the Arab area on the consideration that the dispute will lead to weakening the powers of both warring states and in other words would help in consolidating the military ability of Israel and prolongation of its occupation of the Arab territories. Moreover, this war existing between the two neighbours Iraq and Iran made the Sadat regime become the biggest power in the Arab world. Naturally the United States of America which supplied the Sadat with military arms and weapons of advanced nature during the past two years is working to make use of him as the strongest Arab State for protecting its interests in the Arabian Gulf and Peninsula area. Sadat referred to this since several months ago when he said that he is prepared to send his soldiers to the countries of the Gulf area for protecting their regimes against fall. This was not but an indication of the plan which the circles of imperialism laid down for the area and that the spread up of the network of American military bases during the past months all over the area only aims at circling the Arab peoples and their nationalist forces fighting for their freedom, independence and social progress.

The Iraq-Iranian dispute does not benefit but the greeds of U.S.. imperialism and its allies in the Middle East and consolidates the expansionist policy of Israel and expands Washington's potentialities in making Egypt as its policeman in the Arab area. The Washington Post reported that it is possible that the American forces interfere directly in the Irano-Iraqi dispute or organise direct aggression on any State of the states of the area whose policy obstruct the greeds of the United States of America in this lively area.

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APOLOGY

We regret the disappearance of this periodical for along time. This was due to a serious technical defect in the offset printing machine that could not be repaired upto now.

So we decided to print this periodical on stencil until the defect is rectified.

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